

# Delaware Division of the Arts Grant Applications for FY2016 are Now Available at [www.artsdel.org/grants](http://www.artsdel.org/grants)



The Delaware Division of the Arts has opened its online application process for Delaware-based arts organizations, community organizations, and schools to apply for funding of arts programming and projects taking place during Fiscal Year 2016.

While some organizational grants are available throughout the year on a rolling deadline basis, others have an annual application deadline of March 1 (March 2 in 2015, due to March 1 falling on a Sunday).

"We always advise prospective applicants to contact the Division staff before submitting an application, especially for the first time," said Paul Weagraff, Division Director. "Staff members can help an applicant determine which grant program is the best fit for their planned project, and can also answer questions about the application and review process." A list of Division staff members, including their responsibilities and contact information, is available at [www.artsdel.org/contact](http://www.artsdel.org/contact).

Below is a list of the Division's grants programs. Please visit [www.artsdel.org/grants](http://www.artsdel.org/grants) to access the full guidelines for each program and a description of the grant review process.

## **Grants Open to Delaware Arts Organizations:**

- **General Operating Support** – supports annual operating expenses to ensure that year-round participation in the arts is available to the people of Delaware. Applications are reviewed on a three-year cycle for eligible applicants. Due

March 2, 2015.

- **Arts Stabilization** – supports improvements to facilities owned and operated (or under long-term lease) by arts organizations. Up to \$20,000. Due March 2, 2015.
- **Education Resource** – supports proposals that strengthen public school-based arts education projects, programs, and activities that utilize the arts education resources of the Delaware arts community. Up to \$20,000. Due March 2, 2015.
- **StartUp** – supports programming, and develops and strengthens the management capacity of emerging arts organizations. Up to \$2,500 plus training. Due March 2, 2015.

#### **Grants Open to Delaware Community-Based Organizations:**

(Delaware non-profit organizations and government entities that present arts programming or activities but do not have the arts as their primary mission)

- **Project Support** – supports arts programs that assist in the growth of a vibrant cultural environment by encouraging the continued development of arts activities in communities throughout the state. Due March 2, 2015.
- **Opportunity Grants** – supports the presentation of performing, visual, literary, media, or folk arts in communities throughout the state. Up to \$1,000. Rolling deadline.

#### **Grants Open to Delaware Schools and School Districts:**

- **Education Resource** – supports proposals that strengthen public school-based arts education projects, programs, and activities that utilize the arts education resources of the Delaware arts community. Up to \$20,000. Due March 2, 2015.
- **Artist Residency** – supports in-school residencies with visual, literary, performing or media artists working with students in the classroom or in professional development workshops with teachers. Rolling deadline.

#### **Grants Open to Delaware Individual Artists:**

- **Individual Artist Fellowships** – support Delaware creative artists working in the visual, performing, media, folk, and

literary arts. Fellowships are designed to enable recipients to purchase equipment and materials, allocate working time, or fulfill other needs that will allow them to advance in their careers. Application will open in late spring 2015. Due August 3, 2015.

- **Opportunity Grants** – support individual artists with unique professional and artistic development or presentation opportunities. Up to \$750. Rolling deadline.

The Delaware Division of the Arts is an agency of the State of Delaware. Together with its advisory body, the Delaware State Arts Council, the Division administers grants and programs that support artists and arts organizations, educate the public, increase awareness of the arts, and integrate the arts into all facets of Delaware life. Funding for Division programs is provided by annual appropriations from the Delaware State Legislature, and grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.